

C4 dimension "F" of about .470 inch by .385 inch and to an inner dimension "A" of about .228 inch by .214 inch.

C5 17. (Amended) The body of Claim 16 which has a generally oval cross-sectional shape including an intermediate dimension "D" between dimensions "B" and "F" of .523 inch by .426 inch and an intermediate dimension "G" between dimensions F and A of .429 inch by .336 inch.

18. (Amended) A hearing aid unit comprising:

a) a body having a length L by width W cross section which gradually varies from an outer dimension "B" of about .519 inch by .406 inch to a middle dimension "F" of about .470 inch by .385 inch and to an inner dimension "A" of about .228 inch by .214 inch;

b) components in said body including at least a microphone, electronics, and a receiver which receives an electrical signal from the microphone representing sound waves which are converted into said electrical signal by said microphone and amplified by said electronics; the receiver converting the electrical signal back into sound waves; and

c) a flexible tip coupled to an end of said body proximal to said receiver and extending therefrom for coupling said connected sound waves to a user.

Amendments to the claims are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (pages i - ii).

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended to clarify that the hearing aid can be inserted into the ear canal of either the right side or the left side of an ear of a user.

The amendments to claims 16-18 and Chart 1 on page 15 of the specification have corrected an obvious typographical error. That is, the units for all the dimensions of the hearing



aid should have been given in inches instead of millimeters. No attempt is being made to add new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTSSpecification Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii)

Replace the chart beginning at page 15, line 5, which was added by Preliminary Amendment, with the below chart marked up by way of bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph.

--- CHART 1

<u>FIG.</u>	<u>CROSS-SECTION</u> ([mm] <u>inch</u>) <u>"W"</u>	<u>LENGTH</u> ([mm] <u>inch</u>) <u>"L"</u>
9A	.214	.228
9B	.406	.519
9C	.418	.527
9D	.426	.523
9E	.419	.504
9F	.385	.470
9G	.336	.429
9H	.313	.389
9I	.315	.345
9J	.303	.295 ---

Claim Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii)

- (Amended) A hearing aid body adapted to interchangeably fit inside the ear canal of either a right side or left side of an ear [canal] of a typical user such that a distal end of the body is disposed proximally adjacent to a tympanic membrane of said user.
- (Amended) A non-specific removable hearing aid having a shell which is shaped to be inserted into and useable [with] inside the ear canal of a right ear or left ear of a user and which houses the requisite component for a functional hearing aid.

16. (Amended) A body for a hearing aid unit having an oval cross section which gradually varies from an outer dimension "B" of about .519 [mm] inch by .406 [mm] inch to a middle dimension "F" of about .470 [mm] inch by [.336 mm] .385 inch and to an inner dimension "A" of about .228 [mm] inch by .214 [mm] inch.
17. (Amended) The body of Claim 16 which has a generally oval cross-sectional shape including an intermediate dimension "D" between dimensions "B" and "F" of .523 [mm] inch by .426 [mm] inch and an intermediate dimension ["I"] "G" between dimensions F and A of .429 [mm] inch by .336 [mm] inch.
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 - c) a flexible tip coupled to an end of said body proximal to said receiver and extending therefrom for coupling said connected sound waves to a user.